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when the building is closed in front, business orders or messages may be left with the Printers in the Office. Entrance to Printing Office through the little gate attached to the building in front, at the right hand.

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Combs' new building, next door to D. for the camp meeting. No better selec-R. Coer ham & Co., where I hope to tion could be made. greet all my old customers and many J. Ross Brown.

LARGE lot of stoyes of all kinds in store, including the celebrated cook atove "Spirit of 76." To arrive a large additional lot of stoves. All of which will be sold at low bargains. Call on GEO. HENNE.

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ery on my business, as all sensible men know. I mean just what I say. ch. Sold by R. Facener, Druggist, San Take potice.

We found him a pleasant rentlemen, too fat and jolly, however, for a work-ing newspaper man, in fact he disclaims the character. Mr. H. was exploring the road to this place to see what sould be done toward turning the trade of the upper country in this direction. Glad to make the acquaintance of our up country friends.

Mr. Deming has handed us a copy of rocate, showing the business of the lece. The FREE PRESS, by the efficont aid of Mr. and Mrs. Deming wil probably get out in due time a number howing up the business of San Marcos.

We referred last week to the last is-sue of Mrs. Swisher's "Sketch Book," which is of unusual interest. One thing about it we protest against. Mrs. 8 has three or four young ladies at work or her on her magazine. Of course hey are romantic and sympathetic; yet she keeps them employed at gathering dry statistics, and monopolises all the sentiment herself. We think this is bardly fair. It was said of Sir John Fal staff, we believe, that he was "not only witty himself, but the occasion of wit factory here immediately. in others." So Mrs. S. is not only a poet herself but excites others to indulge in poetry-oven ber husband, our

venerable cotemporary, 'drops into poetry' in this number, and we must say does remarkably well. Success to the 'Sketch Book.' Mr. Capron has taken an interest with Mr. Entrekin in the grocery business.

Glad to hear it, Mr. Stein, our late popular postmaster, we hear has rented the Woolfolk gar-den for the production of vegetables, and as a place of amusement. We wish him success.

Mr. Lancaster is the driver of His zie's delivery wagon. The splendid

Mr. Fitch, representing the house of Mr. Cage, merchant, Blanco, is in town prospecting for a location.

Judge Dwyer, of San Antonio, spent some days here recently. A gentleman named Prescott, we learn

is prospecting for a sheep ranch in this A Mr. Humes has bought a tract of

land from L. W. Mitchell for the timber. which is to be cut off for the use of the railroad. Mr. Fourqueran also has contracted

for furnishing several hundred cords of wood for the railroad.

A Birthday Tribute.

TO MISS M. C. POX, OF LA CROSSE, WIS.

Fair May, within whose dark brown eyes, In liquid depths a shadow lies On this thy natal day; Since to our sunny southern home. Thy weary feet have chanced to roam From loved ones far away;

And few are here who know thy worth

It may not be my mission now
To chase the shadows from thy brow,
Or light to joy thy eyes;
But if a tribute from a friend,

One single gleam to them can lend, Or if thy heart will prize My soul-felt wishes for thy weal, Then listen while I lowly kneel And to kind Heaven pray;

Whose trilling notes no more are heard In woodlands far away. Give her a newer song to sing, That she may make our woodlands ring And her own spirit rife

Our genial druggist Mr. Fronties, sisted by our handsome young friend, Oscar Hutchison, is nicely fitted up for business in his elegant new store grouns, south side plaza.

"THE Paper World" is a valuable of the story and we her song shall lack.

"THE Paper World" is a valuable of the story and we her song shall lack. BELLA P. Swinces.

REV. W. E. PENN will hold a campmeeting near San Marcos, sometime du-Seeds, Bulbs, Plants, &c., Louisville, ring the coming summer. A committee Ky., is before us. It is very elegant will meet next Sunday, after the mornplace for holding this meeting. The following churches are expected to be re-Martindale, Mountain City, Science country surrounding San Marcos. The picnic grounds in Mackey's pasture, have I have moved my store into D. S. been favorably spoken of as the place

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From Linne.

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We were remiss of duty last week in The Brase Band was out Saturday not noting a call from Mr. Holmes, who has an interest in the Mason News Item. slumbering inhabitants of San Mercon, We found him a aleasest restlemen. The band adds greatly to the gayety of

about thirty -a gay time was had.

The Right Rev Mr Elllet, Episcope Bishop of San Aptonio, held services at St. Mark's in this city on Sunday Mr. Deming has handed us a copy of last. The congregation morning and the holiday issue of the Palestice Ad evening was so large they could not all

There are a great many strangers the city looking for locations. We notice several gentlemen from East Texas.

Why don't somebody who loves the angling rod, send to Dr. Smith at Palestine, for some of those German Carp to stock the San Marcon?

The alleys of our town would be las odorus if a few doad felines were removed to permanent resting places-'have we a (scavenger) among us?'

Mr. Driskill has rented the Barbee place for a cabinet shop. We understand three gentlemen from

Luling intend opening a spring mattress Mr. Ross Brown has moved into his

Our worthy deputy sheriff, Mr. Man love, moved into his new residence last Saturday.

Passenger and mail trains have been greatly delayed lately on account of the moving of immense freight trains with construction material for the front.

Wait till the I. & G. N. can spare engines and cars to transport lumber and you will see a building boom in San Marcos.

More Clearing Up.

We conclude the work of "clearing ur decka." begun in our last. It always seemed to us churlish not

to answer or acknowledge receipt of a civil letter. Hence we acknowledge at this late date, a communication received in November last from Fred H. Wipes. special agent census office, Springfield Ill. and endorsed by the superintendent, inquiring after police statistics. He states that he had before addressed the 'Head of our Local Government." but without effect. In reply we will state that while our town is an incorporated one, we have scarcely any police organ ization which would come under the heads in regard to which information

is asked. In December we also received a letter from Chas. E. T. B. Davis, Capt. of Engineers, Galveston, also endorsed by the Superintendent of the Census. asking information concerning the "flow of water and the water shed of streams in this state, as well as information con cerning the capability of constructing together:

dams and water works"

Lastly we have been remiss in pot sooner noticing some new cotemporaries. Of these is the Schulenburg Enterprise, conducted by Capt. McDaniel, formerly of the Lo khart Echo. It is a neat six column paper, with a promising

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WE have received from the census of fice the official report for Texas,by coun ies Hays is reported as follows: Total 7,556, of whom 4,070 are males and 3.486 females; native 6,977, foreign, 589; white 6,077, colored 1,479.

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Why do so many people we see around us, seem to prefer to suffer and be made miser.

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EDITOR PREE PRESC.

Mr. E. T. Dumble, of Houston, Texas
writes to Mr. Jas. Nicholson of Bustrop, that he has discovered a process The dancing class under Miss Allor by which the ligalte coal can be converted into coke—samples of which he sub-ligated property and the property of the prope

ost of producing the coke is merely ominal, as the product from ion fully pays all expenses. He also tates that be had the best success from the lignite coal of Bastrop county.

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portions of this State we have layers of ignite coal, which frequently crop on on banks of greeks or rivers, but so lar has not been utilized. In the Bestrop cotton factory and Dr. Duval's ging the erude lignite, so far as I know, has been

sed (beside wood) to advantage. There is no doubt but our lignite coal will in a few years be profitably used in Texas, especially in portions where tim-

or is scarce.

C. ERHARD.

P. S. Dr. Duval, who owns a gin here, told me I made a mistake, that he has used our lignite coal for his steam gin, without any admixture of wood. In fact it burns better without it. He has used it for the last 4 months exclusively.

FROM BLANCO. Pleasant weather to-day, though the

thermometer has for a mouth been bobbing around 32.

Blanco Valley Mills, now closed, will be sold Feb. lat next, to satisfy a mortgage on same. A great many of our citizens express themselves as wanting Mr. Schimmelfening, of New Braunfels, to come, purchase the mill and run it. His old friends of this town are especially eager for him to do so; fully believing that it will be to his interest.

Commercial travelers here for the last week have been as thick as blackbirds in December; proving two things about Blauco, first-her trade is worth somehing-second, she lies on the near, new cut road to the west.

More next time. Jan 29,1881. HARRIE W. SPEER

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